(d) and (e) The proposal could not be sanctioned due to paucity of funds.

Damage to National Highway-52 in Assam

3491. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the damage caused to National Highway-52 during the last three years;

(b) the steps taken for repair and improvement of the Highway; and

(c) the action taken by Government to prevent recurrence of such damage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRYOF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI: (a) National Highway 52 suffered damages like pavements distress in some stretches, minor breaches to embankment, subsidence in approaches to some bridges and damage to a couple of bridges due to heavy rains, traffic and insurgent activities during the last three years.

(b) and (c) Repair to the National Highway has been / is being carried out as per the requirement and availability of funds. Raising and strengthening of the stretches and repairs to the bridges damaged by rains and floods have been taken up. The programme for improvement of riding quality including periodic renewals has also been taken up in a length of 106 km. Besides, the NH 52 in the State of Assam has now been entrusted to Border Roads Organization who have been asked to prepare programme for improvement of the National Highway in a phased manner.

Loans Sanctioned under PMRY

3492. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who applied for loan under the Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana in each State and Union Territory during the last three years;

(b) the number of applicants who have been provided with loan and the number of applicants awaiting sanction of loan under the scheme; and

(c) the reasons for delay in sanctioning loan and by when all the applicants from U.P. in particular are likely to have the benefit of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Based on the reports furnished by State/UT. Governments, details of the number of persons who applied for loans under the "Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana" (PMRY) during the last three years i.e. 1998-99, 1999-00 & 2000-01 are given in the Statement *(See below).*

(b) As per the information furnished by the Reserve Bank of India, loans have been sanctioned to 17.97 lakhs applicants between 1993-94 to 2000-01 under the PMRY. 62886 applications were pending on 31.3.2001.

(c) As per the PMRY norms, the applications to be sponsored to the banks should be equal to 125% of the target. Therefore, at the end of any financial year, there are likely to be some pending applications. The implementation of the Scheme is a continuous process and hence pending applications are to be processed and sanctioned in the following year as per the instructions of the Government of India and the Reserve Bank of India. According to the Evaluation Report of the PMRY, disbursement of loans is also delayed because of non-completion of formalities, non-availability of premises, inability to deposit margin money etc. by the applicants.

Statement

State/UT wise number of persons applied for loans under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana during the last three years i.e. 1998-99, 1999-2000 & 2000-01

(Based on the reports received from the St ate/UTs)

S.No.	State/UT	Applications received under PMRY		
		1998-99 (Nos.)	1999-2000 (Nos.)	2000-01 (Nos.)
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	84484	73013	61437
2.	Assam	66585	68875	31055
3.	Bihar	32962	34934	22364
4.	Delhi	4836	4695	NR
5.	Goa	4954	814	465

1	2	3	4	5
6.	Gujarat	29850	28562	27965
7.	Haryana	17610	19378	19398
8.	Himachal Pradesh	4700	5151	5079
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	7862	NR	NR
10	Karnataka	71327	69464	74879
11	Kerala	46918	76586	51064
12	Madhya Pradesh	73609	81492	45006
13	Maharashtra	70231	76768	74348
14	Manipur	20297	NR	NR
15	Mizoram	3471	3960	3379
16	Orissa	35503	52146	69571
17	Punjab	21529	21734	21645
18	Rajasthan	35763	47981	50414
19	Tamil Nadu	45756	45714	42966
20	Tripura	3534	3907	3739
21	Uttar Pradesh	119266	120733	113049
22	West Bengal	16212	17259	13606
23	Andaman & Nicobar	406	539	229
24	Arunachal Pradesh	1215	948	1131
25	Chandigarh	433	250	NR
26	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	89	94	94
27	Daman and Diu	108	79	56
28	Nagaland	2565	NR	NR
29	Lakshdweep	108	43	40
30	Meghalaya	1699	2912	2988
31	Pondicherry	1483	1387	1259
32	Sikkim	137	83	70
	Total	821042	859501	737296

NR : Not reported